

# 1943 Profile of the Inwood, Manhattan area

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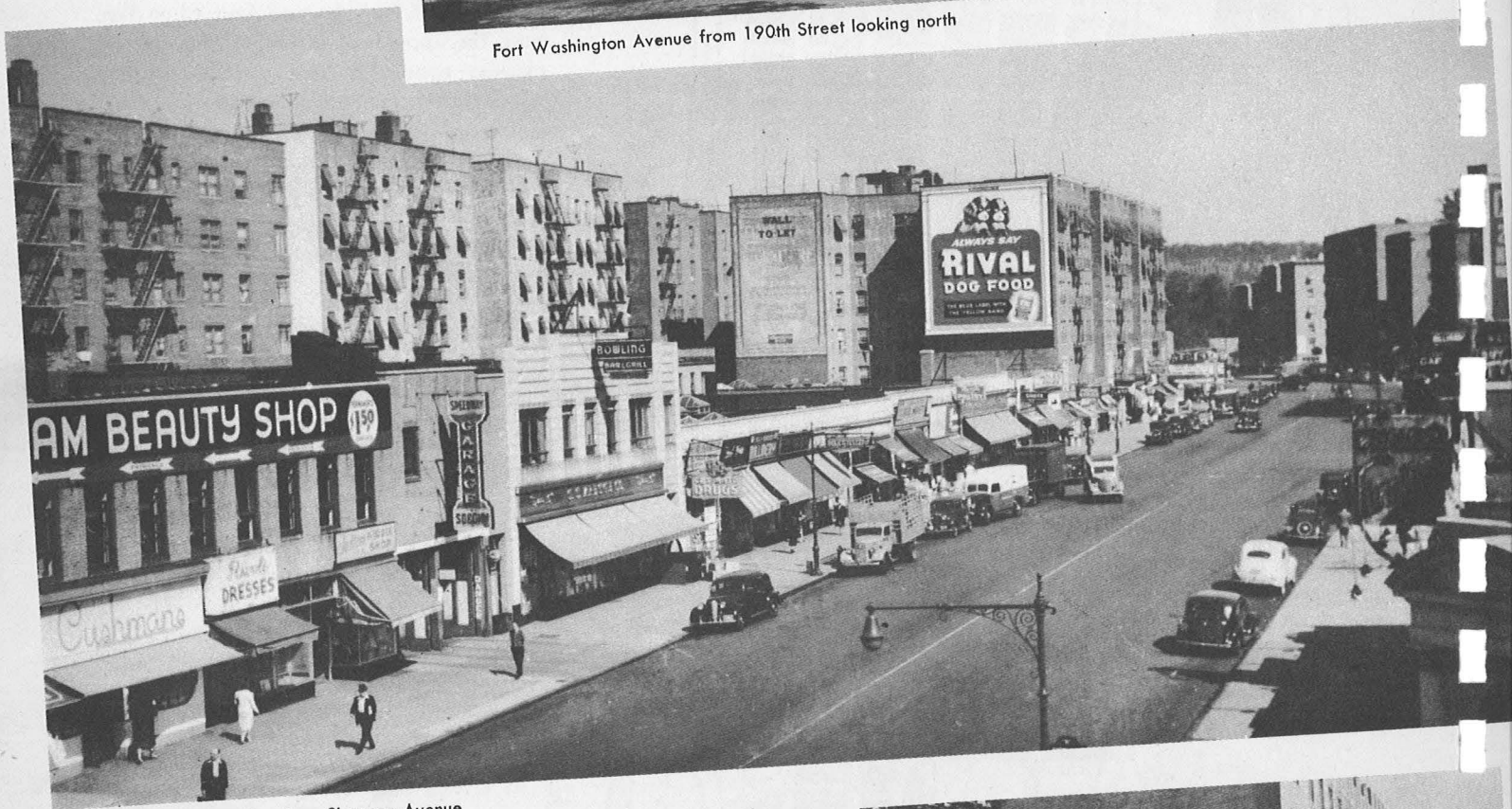
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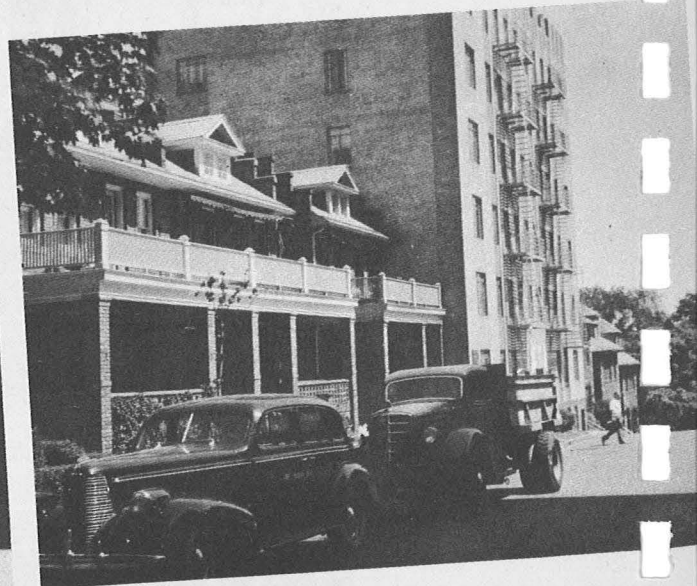
Fort Washington Avenue from 190th Street looking north



Dyckman Street west from Sherman Avenue



Academy Street from Post Avenue west



Park Terrace West at 217th Street



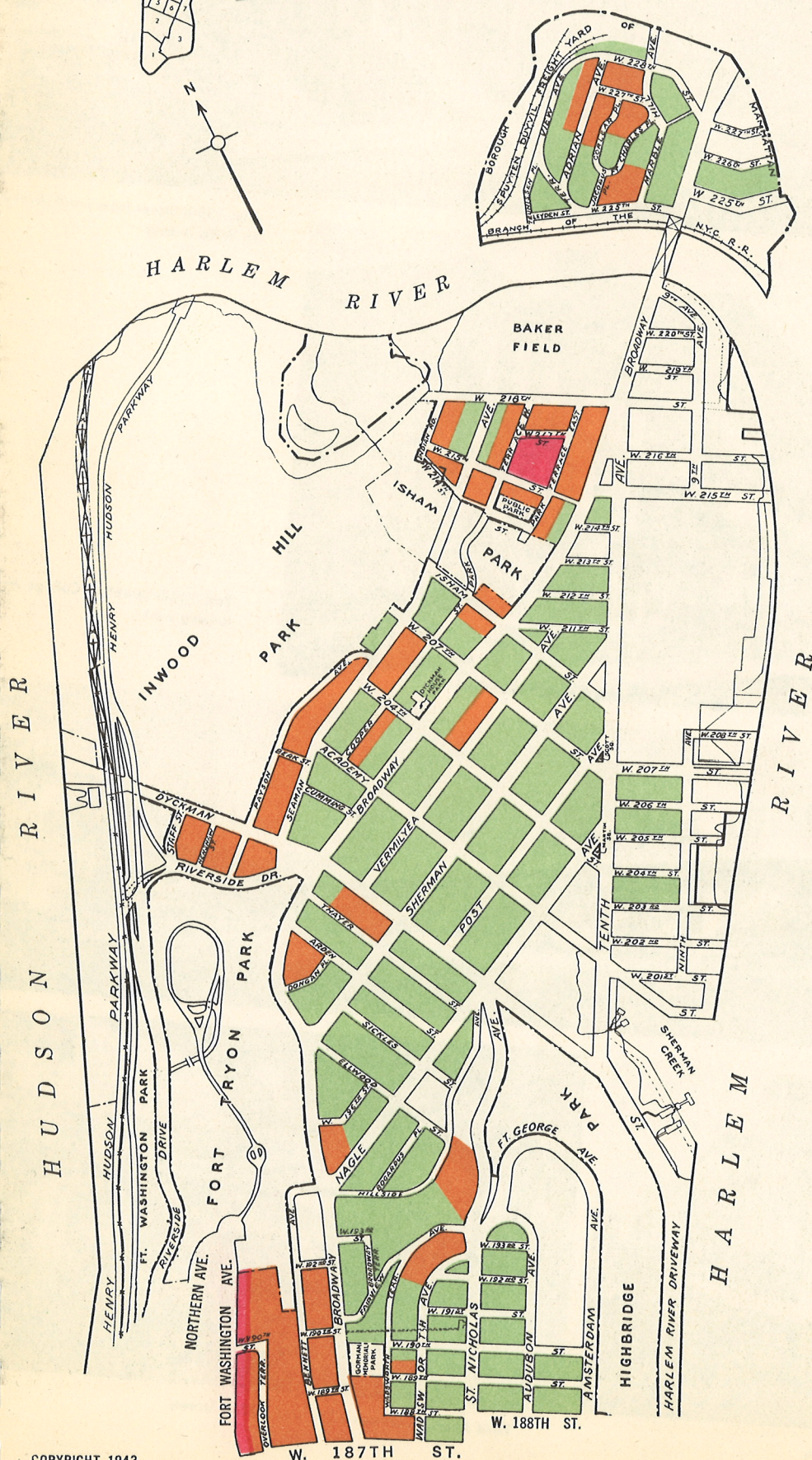
# NEW YORK CITY MARKET ANALYSIS

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POPULATION	78,295
(larger than Montgomery, Ala.)	
Native white	54,072
Foreign-born white	23,811
Negro	176
Other races	236

*Of divers origin, the foreign-born include many Central Europeans, Russian Jews, and Irish.*

FAMILIES	25,243
—owner families	195
—tenant families	25,048

## FAMILIES BY MONTHLY RENT & ANNUAL EXPENDITURE GROUPS

Rental	Expenditure	
\$150 & up	\$10,000 & up	15
100-149	6,000-9,999	183
75- 99	4,500-5,999	999
50- 74	3,000-4,499	7,170
30- 49	1,800-2,999	15,879
40- 49	2,400-2,999	9,500
30- 39	1,800-2,399	6,379
Under 30	Under 1,800	907
Unknown		90

Median family expenditure	\$2,734
Average family expenditure	\$2,903

RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES	979
—one-family houses	166
—two-family houses	83
—three-or-more-family houses	730

Inwood, at the northern tip of Manhattan, is almost completely residential. Between 1930 and 1940 its population increased more than 28%—the largest percentage of increase of any Manhattan district. From 1920 to 1940 Inwood gained more than 50,000 population. Most of the families live in apartment houses. An area of better than average apartments is found along Fort Washington Avenue and Overlook Terrace, which provide a fine view of the Hudson River. Much of the district is devoted to parks, among them Fort Tryon Park, Inwood Hill Park, and High Bridge Park. Most important business streets are Dyckman Street and Broadway. The small area north of the Harlem River is attached to the Bronx mainland but is politically part of Manhattan. This apparent invasion of the Bronx was caused by a straightening in the course of the Harlem River.